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March 15, 2005

Mr. Gene K. Fong Division Administrator Federal Highway Administration 650 Capitol Mall Suite 4-100 Sacramento, CA 95814

Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Dear Ms. Kiser:

With this letter and pursuant to the authority delegated to me, I approve the following amendment of the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency's (RTPA) 2004/5-2006/07 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP):

No. Description

2 Local and State Elements

 Modifies or deletes various projects from various funding programs in Shasta County. The amendment includes projects with funding from the Hazard Elimination Safety (HES) program, Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA) and Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation (HBRR) program. The amendment adjusts the programming to be consistent with the approved State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). The amendment also modifies programming per available HBRR revenues. See enclosure.

I am also recommending that the Federal Highway Administration approve this FTIP Amendment No. 2 for inclusion into California's 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Projects included in this FTIP in fiscal years beyond the three-year cycle of the current FSTIP are not approved as part of this FTIP amendment and are for information only.

The updated programming is for projects in air quality attainment area that is exempt from the conformity determination requirement. Therefore, this FTIP amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. These projects are included and

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submitted by the Shasta County RTPA through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. The Shasta County RTPA prepared this FTIP amendment under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies, other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff, at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures

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